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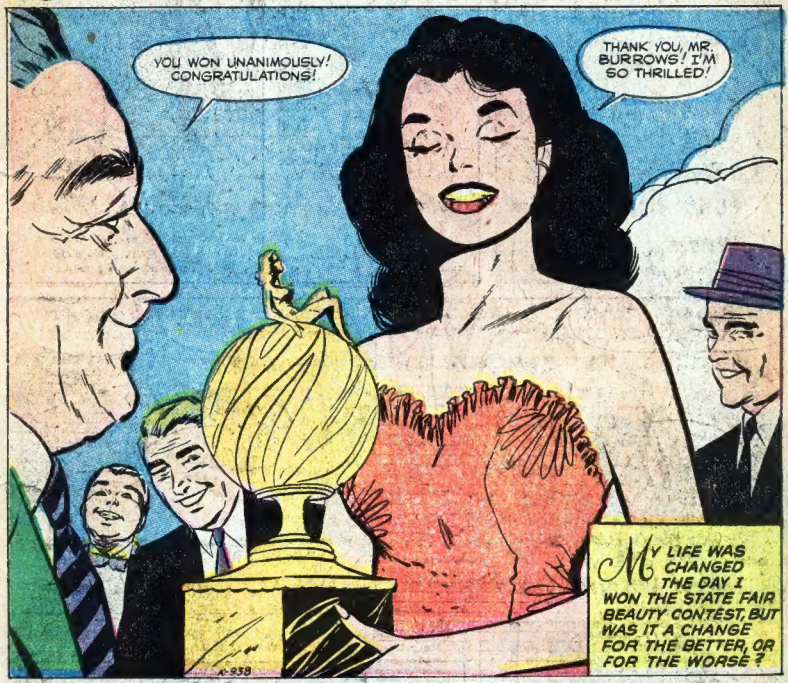
YOU WON UNANIMOUSLY! CONGRATULATIONS!
THANK YOU, MR. BURROWS! I'M SO THRILLED!
MY LIFE WAS CHANGED THE DAY I WON THE STATE FAIR BEAUTY CONTEST, BUT WAS IT A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER, OR FOR THE WORSE?

FLASHBULBS POPPED ALL THAT AFTERNOON, AND IT WAS EVENING BEFORE JOE AND I COULD BE TOGETHER...
I'M SORRY I COULDN'T MAKE IT ANY SOONER, JOE!
I COULDN'T BE ANGRY... NOT ON YOUR BIG DAY!
TENDERLY, HE DREW ME CLOSE... GENTLY, OUR LIPS MET!
ANYWAY, IT'S OVER NOW, ALL THE FUSS AND BOTHER! WE CAN RELAX AGAIN!
WELL... NOT EXACTLY...
THEY'VE OFFERED ME A SCREEN TEST! I'M TO FLY OUT TO THE COAST!
BUT YOU TURNED THEM DOWN! YOU WOULDN'T...
NOT A CHANCE LIKE THIS, DARLING! THIS IS BIG... YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THAT!
THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I UNDERSTAND!
SO I MADE MY CHOICE AND LEFT FOR HOLLYWOOD! SOON AFTERWARD, I WAS MAKING MY TEST...
THAT'S FINE! CUT!
WE WERE HAPPY BEFORE ALL THIS STARTED, BUT NOT ANY MORE! BUT I WON'T STAND IN YOUR WAY, KAY! YOU'RE FREE TO GO!
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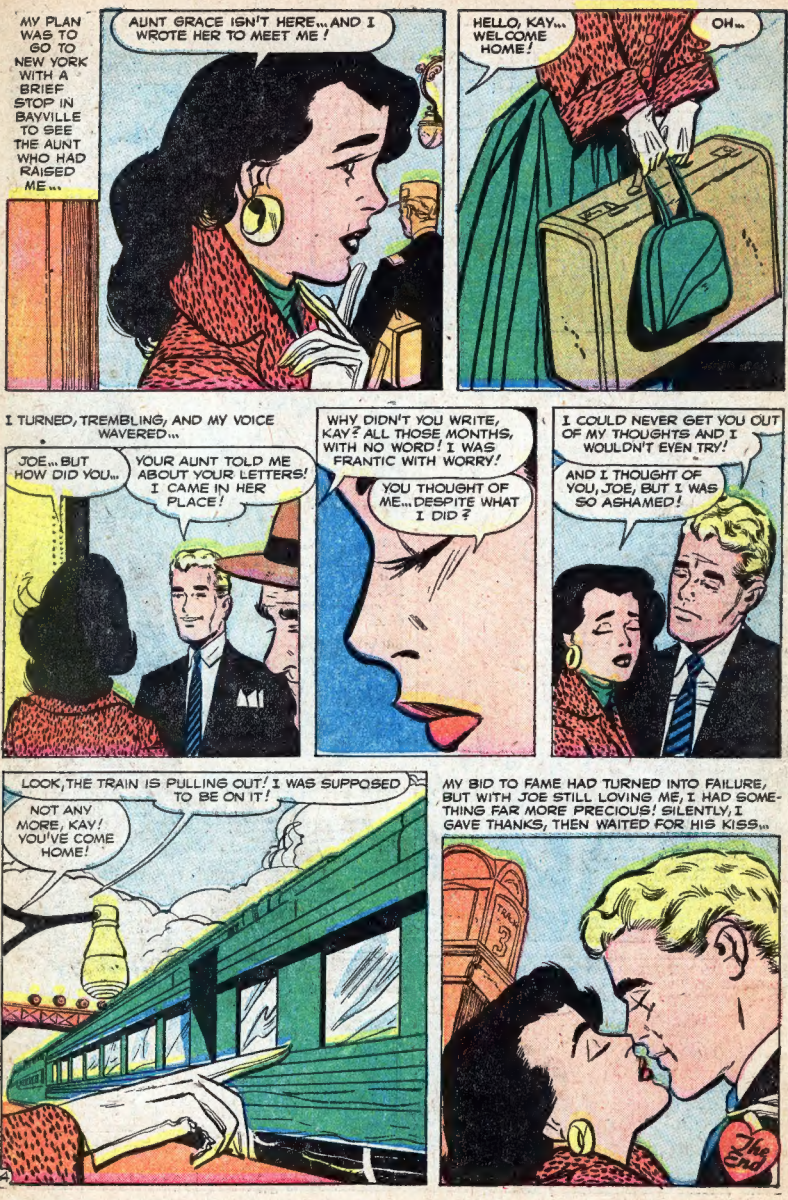
WHAT DO YOU THINK, MR. BOWLES!
IT'S TOO EARLY TO SAY, BUT DON'T WORRY... WE'LL LET YOU KNOW!
TWO WEEKS LATER, I RECEIVED WORD THRU THE AGENCY THAT REPRESENTED ME...
IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS, KAY! THE TEST WASN'T BAD, BUT IT DIDN'T ROCK 'EM!
SO THAT'S IT...
I GUESS SO! PRETTY FACES COME BY THE BUSHEL IN THIS TOWN, BUT TALENT IS A RARE COMMODITY!
YOU NEEDN'T ELABORATE!
IN TIME, I FOUND EMPLOYMENT AS A WAITRESS... A POSITION I FOUND NONE TOO PLEASANT...
HOW ABOUT A FRIENDLY SMILE?
TAKE YOUR HAND OFF ME, PLEASE!
LET GO!
HEY, LOOK OUT!
MAYBE IT WAS JUST AS WELL, BECAUSE THERE NEVER WAS A SENSE OF BELONGING HERE...
I DON'T BELONG HERE, AND I CAN'T SEE MYSELF RETURNING TO MY HOME TOWN! I DON'T KNOW WHICH WAY TO TURN!
WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE DO YOU EMPLOY HERE ANYWAY?
SHE IS NO LONGER ONE OF MY EMPLOYEES, SIR! SHE'S FIRED!


MY PLAN WAS TO GO TO NEW YORK WITH A BRIEF STOP IN BAYVILLE TO SEE THE AUNT WHO HAD RAISED ME...
AUNT GRACE ISN'T HERE... AND I WROTE HER TO MEET ME!
HELLO, KAY... WELCOME HOME!
OH...
I TURNED, TREMBLING, AND MY VOICE WAVERED...
JOE... BUT HOW DID YOU...
YOUR AUNT TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR LETTERS! I CAME IN HER PLACE!
WHY DIDN'T YOU WRITE, KAY? ALL THOSE MONTHS, WITH NO WORD! I WAS FRANTIC WITH WORRY!
YOU THOUGHT OF ME... DESPITE WHAT I DID?
I COULD NEVER GET YOU OUT OF MY THOUGHTS AND I WOULDN'T EVEN TRY!
AND I THOUGHT OF YOU, JOE, BUT I WAS SO ASHAMED!
LOOK, THE TRAIN IS PULLING OUT! I WAS SUPPOSED TO BE ON IT!
NOT ANY MORE, KAY! YOU'VE COME HOME!
MY BID TO FAME HAD TURNED INTO FAILURE, BUT WITH JOE STILL LOVING ME, I HAD SOMETHING FAR MORE PRECIOUS! SILENTLY, I GAVE THANKS, THEN WAITED FOR HIS KISS...
The End

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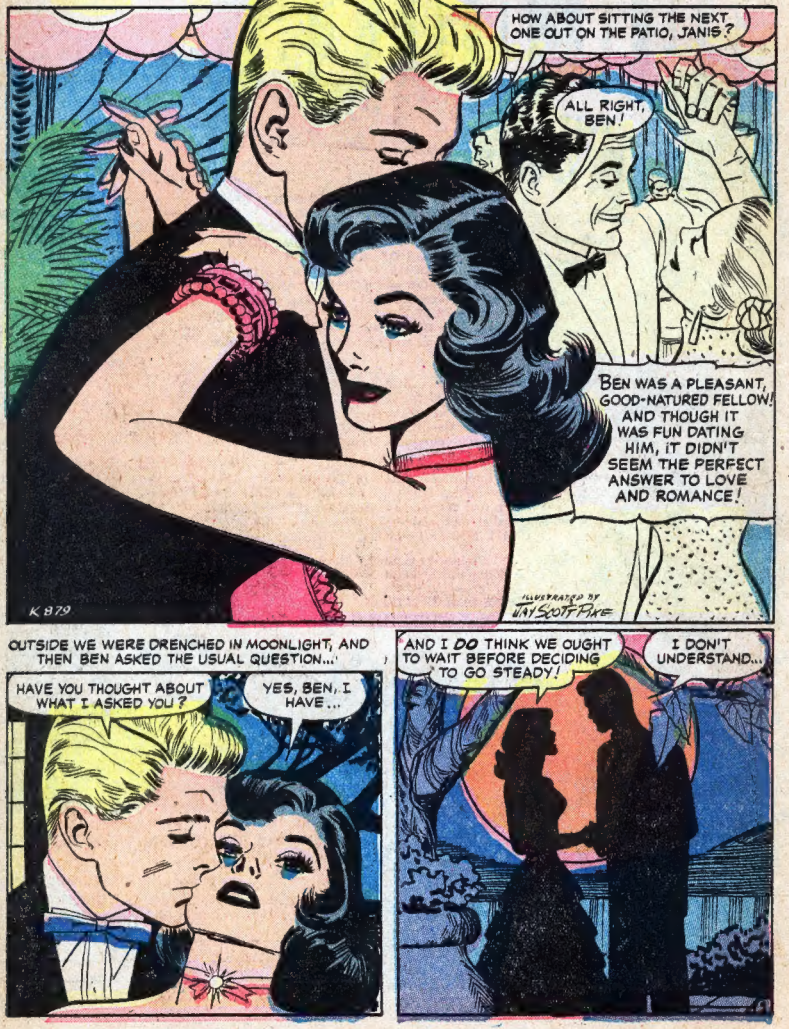
HOW ABOUT SITTING THE NEXT ONE OUT ON THE PATIO, JANIS?
ALL RIGHT, BEN!
BEN WAS A PLEASANT, GOOD-NATURED FELLOW! AND THOUGH IT WAS FUN DATING HIM, IT DIDN'T SEEM THE PERFECT ANSWER TO LOVE AND ROMANCE!
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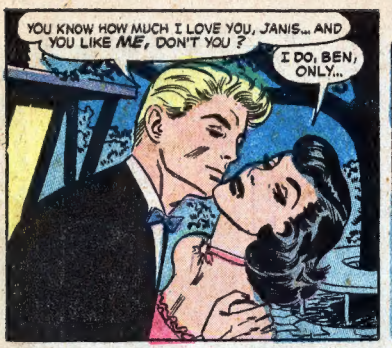
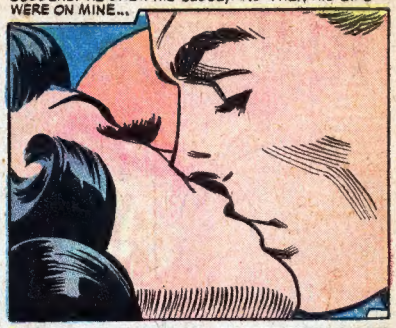
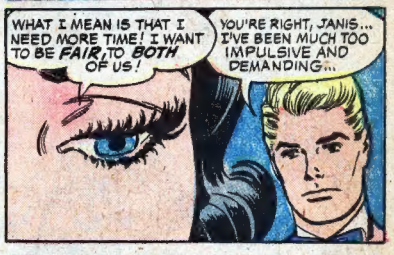
ILLUSTRATED BY JAY SCOTT PIKE
OUTSIDE WE WERE DRENCHED IN MOONLIGHT, AND THEN BEN ASKED THE USUAL QUESTION...
HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT I ASKED YOU?
YES, BEN, I HAVE...
AND I DO THINK WE OUGHT TO WAIT BEFORE DECIDING TO GO STEADY!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND...


YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU, JANIS... AND YOU LIKE ME, DON'T YOU ?
I DO, BEN; ONLY...


SUDDENLY HE DREW ME CLOSE, AND THEN HIS LIPS WERE ON MINE...

NOW DO YOU BELIEVE ME ? CAN'T YOU SEE HOW MUCH YOU MEAN TO ME ?
DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT, BEN... IT ISN'T RIGHT...


WHAT I MEAN IS THAT I NEED MORE TIME! I WANT TO BE FAIR TO BOTH OF US!
YOU'RE RIGHT, JANIS... I'VE BEEN MUCH TOO IMPULSIVE AND DEMANDING...

BUT I PROMISE I WON'T RUSH THINGS ANY MORE!
THANKS, BEN... AND I THINK YOU'RE VERY SWEET!

BUT WHEN I WAS ALONE, THE FAMILIAR THOUGHTS WOULD RETURN...
BEN IS SO BOYISH! IF HE WERE ONLY MORE LIKE ROGER WHITNEY... THAT WOULD HELP!

ROGER WHITNEY WORKED IN MY OFFICE, A MATURE, HANDSOME MAN... AND I THOUGHT ABOUT HIM OFTEN.. BUT I DOUBTED IF HE EVEN NOTICED ME !
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BUT THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE "IMPOSSIBLE" TOOK PLACE...
... I REALIZE IT'S SHORT NOTICE, BUT YOU ONCE MENTIONED YOU ENJOYED THE BALLET!
YES, AND I'D LOVE TO GO!
IT TOOK TWICE AS LONG TO GET READY THAT NIGHT, BUT I SOUGHT PERFECTION...
MAYBE I ACCEPTED TOO EAGERLY, BUT I DON'T CARE... AS LONG AS I'M GOING!
I'M AFRAID I WATCHED ROGER MORE THAN THE BALLET, YET I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF...
HE'S SO HANDSOME ... SO MATURE!
AND THE MOST ROMANTIC PART OF ALL WAS WHEN HE PARKED BEFORE DRIVING ME HOME...
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D ACCEPT MY INVITATION! I ASSUMED YOU PREFERRED YOUNGER MEN!
OH, NO, NOT AT ALL!
BUT YOU'RE QUITE YOUNG!
NOW YOU'RE TEASING... MAKING ME FEEL LIKE A CHILD!
BUT I'M NOT A CHILD, AND I'VE LOOKED FORWARD TO THIS MOMENT... BEING WITH YOU LIKE THIS!
HE TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS, AND GENTLY, OUR LIPS MET... A PRECIOUS MOMENT I HAD LONG HOPED FOR...
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THREE SUCCESSIVE DATES WITH ROGER FOLLOWED, AND EACH TIME BEN CALLED, I FOUND ANOTHER EXCUSE...

I CAN'T MAKE IT TONIGHT! I'VE GOT A SPLITTING HEADACHE!

BUT THAT SAME NIGHT, I HAD A DATE WITH ROGER...

THEY'RE HAVING A PARK CONCERT TONIGHT! WOULD YOU CARE TO GO?

I'D RATHER STAY HERE WITH YOU!

WAS IT MY IMAGINATION, I WONDERED, BUT THAT NIGHT I SENSED A RESTLESSNESS ABOUT ROGER... A RESTLESSNESS HIS KISSES FAILED TO HIDE...

BUT IT WAS ON A DOUBLE DATE A WEEK LATER, THAT TROUBLE REALLY HAPPENED...

...AND WE MET CHARLES WHILE WE WERE IN PARIS! HE SAID TO BE SURE AND STOP BY WHEN YOU'RE OVER THIS SUMMER!

I SURE WILL!

AND WHAT ARE *YOUR* PLANS FOR THIS SUMMER, CHILD?

I HAVEN'T ANY PLANS, AND I'M *NOT* A "CHILD"!

THAT WAS UNKIND, JANIS! YOU SHOULD APOLOGIZE!

I *WON'T*, AND I WISH YOU'D TAKE ME HOME!

AND WHEN HE DROPPED ME AT THE DOOR...

IT'S BEEN A MISTAKE ALL AROUND! YOU'RE *NOT* A CHILD, JANIS... BUT THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US THAT ONLY *MATURITY* AND YEARS COULD SPAN!

I SHED SILENT TEARS THAT NIGHT! SLOWLY, AWARENESS CAME...
HE WAS RIGHT! THERE WAS ALWAYS THAT GAP BETWEEN US! THAT WAS WHY HE WAS SO RESTLESS LATELY...
I'VE BEEN SILLY, BUT AT LEAST I'VE BEEN CURED! I COULD NEVER HAVE BECOME PART OF ROGER'S LIFE!
IT WAS ALMOST SIX WEEKS SINCE I HAD SPOKEN TO BEN LAST, BUT I HAD TO MAKE AMENDS...
THEN YOU WILL DROP BY?
YES, JANIS, I WILL...
BUT WHEN HE DID ARRIVE, I WAS IN FOR THE SHOCK OF MY LIFE...
JANIS, THIS IS DIANE WEBSTER! WE MET ABOUT A MONTH AGO!
NICE MEETING YOU, DIANE...
I DIDN'T THINK IT POSSIBLE THEN, BUT WE FELL IN LOVE...VERY MUCH SO! WE'RE GOING STEADY!
AND WE PLAN TO MARRY IN JUNE!
IN A FEW MINUTES THEY LEFT... LEAVING ME TO MY TEARS...
I'VE LOST HIM...NOW... WHEN MY EYES ARE FINALLY OPENED.. WHEN I KNOW I REALLY LOVE HIM!
I HAD REAPED THE BITTER FRUIT OF MY THOUGHTLESS, FOOLISH BEHAVIOR! MINE WAS THE SPECIAL GRIEF KNOWN ONLY TO THOSE WHO HAVE LOVED... AND LOST!
The End

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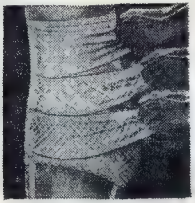

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I NEVER LACKED FOR DATES...THE PHONE WAS ALWAYS RINGING AND I HAD MANY BEAUS! THE ONLY TROUBLE WAS THAT I KEPT WAITING FOR A PROPOSAL OF MARRIAGE THAT NEVER CAME!

I want to get Married

YOU'RE MY FAVORITE DANCING PARTNER, BONNIE! I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR DATES TOGETHER!
THAT'S A SWEET THING TO SAY, BOB!
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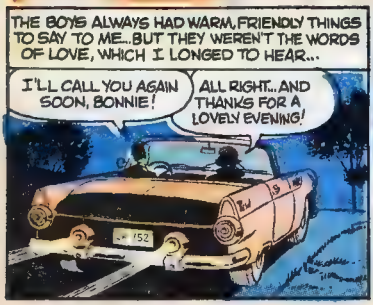
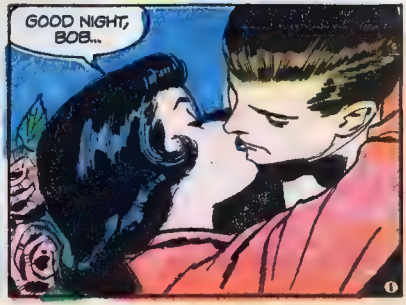
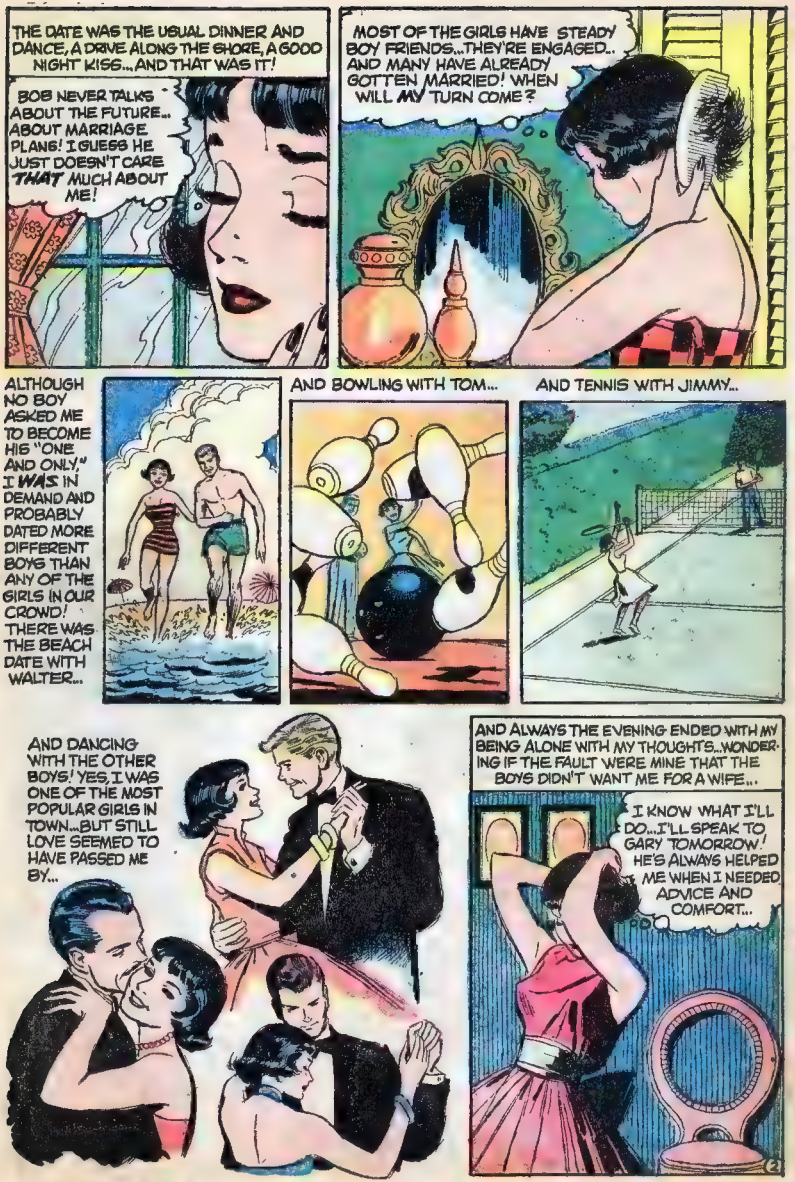
TOM SAWYER


THE BOYS ALWAYS HAD WARM, FRIENDLY THINGS TO SAY TO ME...BUT THEY WEREN'T THE WORDS OF LOVE, WHICH I LONGED TO HEAR...
I'LL CALL YOU AGAIN SOON, BONNIE!
ALL RIGHT...AND THANKS FOR A LOVELY EVENING!




THE DATE WAS THE USUAL DINNER AND DANCE, A DRIVE ALONG THE SHORE, A GOOD NIGHT KISS... AND THAT WAS IT!
BOB NEVER TALKS ABOUT THE FUTURE... ABOUT MARRIAGE PLANS! I GUESS HE JUST DOESN'T CARE THAT MUCH ABOUT ME!
MOST OF THE GIRLS HAVE STEADY BOY FRIENDS... THEY'RE ENGAGED... AND MANY HAVE ALREADY GOTTEN MARRIED! WHEN WILL MY TURN COME?
ALTHOUGH NO BOY ASKED ME TO BECOME HIS "ONE AND ONLY," I WAS IN DEMAND AND PROBABLY DATED MORE DIFFERENT BOYS THAN ANY OF THE GIRLS IN OUR CROWD! THERE WAS THE BEACH DATE WITH WALTER...
AND BOWLING WITH TOM...
AND TENNIS WITH JIMMY...
AND DANCING WITH THE OTHER BOYS! YES, I WAS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR GIRLS IN TOWN... BUT STILL LOVE SEEMED TO HAVE PASSED ME BY...
AND ALWAYS THE EVENING ENDED WITH MY BEING ALONE WITH MY THOUGHTS... WONDERING IF THE FAULT WERE MINE THAT THE BOYS DIDN'T WANT ME FOR A WIFE...
I KNOW WHAT I'LL DO... I'LL SPEAK TO GARY TOMORROW! HE'S ALWAYS HELPED ME WHEN I NEEDED ADVICE AND COMFORT...
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GARY WAS THE "BOY NEXT DOOR"... WE HAD GROWN UP TOGETHER AND SHARED OUR DREAMS AND HOPES! GARY HAD BECOME A VETERINARIAN AND LIVED A QUIET LIFE! HIS ONLY DATES WERE THE LONG WALKS WE USED TO TAKE TOGETHER...
GOOD MORNING, GARY... CAN I SPEAK TO YOU? I'VE GOT A PROBLEM!
THEN YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE! WHAT'S THE TROUBLE THIS TIME, BONNIE?
MAYBE I'LL SOUND LIKE A FOOL, SAYING THIS... BUT, GARY, ALL MY FRIENDS ARE ENGAGED OR MARRIED... BUT NOTHING'S HAPPENING TO ME! I DO KNOW LOTS OF BOYS... HAVE LOTS OF DATES...
YES, I KNOW... I'VE SEEN YOU WITH A DIFFERENT BEAU PRACTICALLY EVERY DAY! MAYBE THAT'S WHAT'S WRONG...
WHEN A GIRL GOES OUT WITH SO MANY DIFFERENT FELLOWS, SHE SOMETIMES GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT SHE'S "PLAYING THE FIELD"... THAT SHE'S NOT REALLY INTERESTED IN SETTLING DOWN AS A HOUSE-WIFE! GUESS YOU JUST SEEMED TO BE TOO CAREFREE!
OH, GARY... YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT! I SEEMED TO BE AVOIDING ROMANCE AND MARRIAGE... WHEN ACTUALLY IT'S WHAT I WANT MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD! I COULD KISS YOU FOR MAKING ME UNDERSTAND!
IN FACT... I WILL! THERE!
THAT KISS DID A STRANGE THING... IT MADE ME LOOK AT GARY IN A NEW LIGHT! I SUDDENLY REALIZED THAT GARY HAD COME TO MEAN MORE TO ME THAN ANY OF THE OTHER BOYS I KNEW OVER THE YEARS! I BLUSHED AS I TURNED AWAY...
THANKS AGAIN, GARY... AND PLEASE VISIT... SOON...
YES, I WILL!
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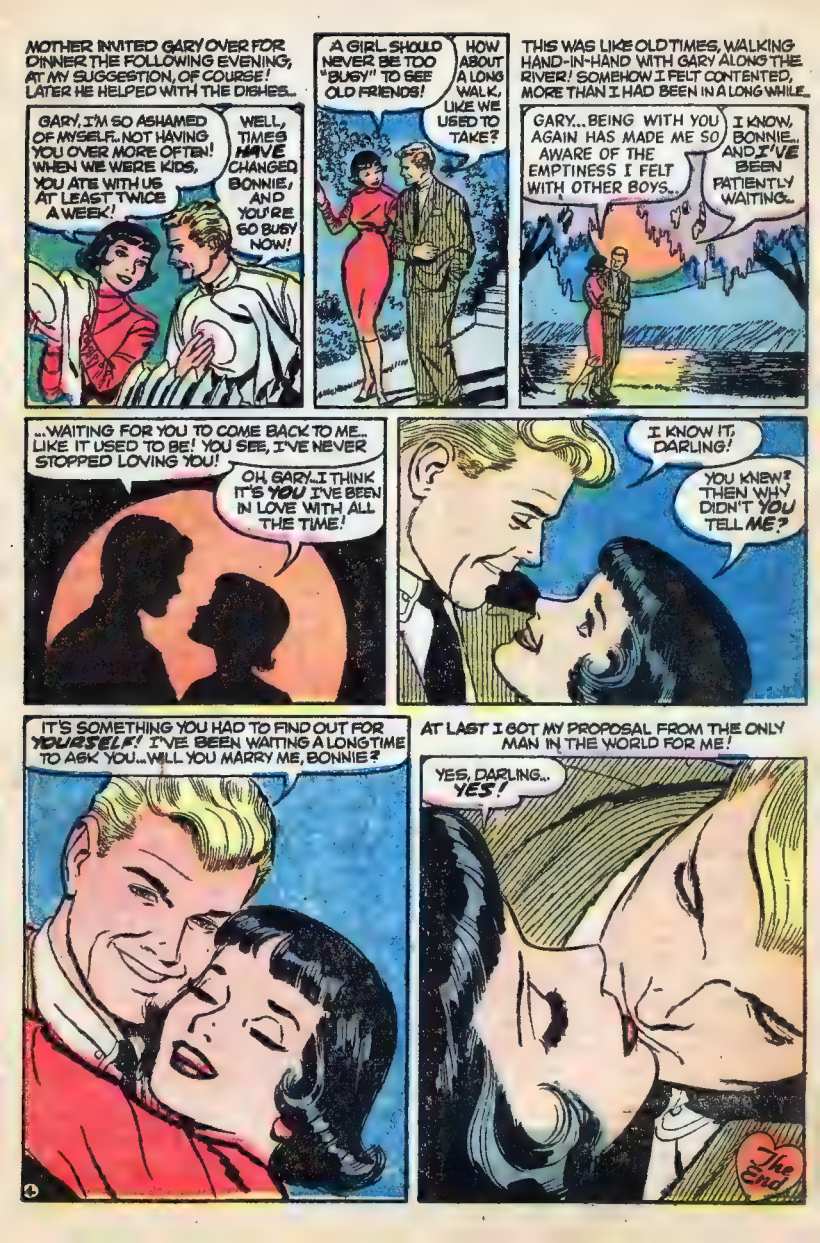
MOTHER INVITED GARY OVER FOR DINNER THE FOLLOWING EVENING, AT MY SUGGESTION, OF COURSE! LATER HE HELPED WITH THE DISHES..
GARY, I'M SO ASHAMED OF MYSELF..NOT HAVING YOU OVER MORE OFTEN! WHEN WE WERE KIDS, YOU ATE WITH US AT LEAST TWICE A WEEK!
WELL, TIMES HAVE CHANGED, BONNIE, AND YOU'RE SO BUSY NOW!
A GIRL SHOULD NEVER BE TOO "BUSY" TO SEE OLD FRIENDS!
HOW ABOUT A LONG WALK, LIKE WE USED TO TAKE?
THIS WAS LIKE OLD TIMES, WALKING HAND-IN-HAND WITH GARY ALONG THE RIVER! SOMEHOW I FELT CONTENTED, MORE THAN I HAD BEEN IN A LONG WHILE..
GARY...BEING WITH YOU AGAIN HAS MADE ME SO AWARE OF THE EMPTINESS I FELT WITH OTHER BOYS..
I KNOW, BONNIE.. AND I'VE BEEN PATIENTLY WAITING..
...WAITING FOR YOU TO COME BACK TO ME.. LIKE IT USED TO BE! YOU SEE, I'VE NEVER STOPPED LOVING YOU!
OH, GARY..I THINK IT'S YOU I'VE BEEN IN LOVE WITH ALL THE TIME!
I KNOW IT, DARLING!
YOU KNEW? THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME?
IT'S SOMETHING YOU HAD TO FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF! I'VE BEEN WAITING A LONG TIME TO ASK YOU...WILL YOU MARRY ME, BONNIE?
AT LAST I GOT MY PROPOSAL FROM THE ONLY MAN IN THE WORLD FOR ME!
YES, DARLING.. YES!
The End

The Crossroads

THIS is the story of a girl who fell in love with two men and had to decide which one to marry. I am that girl and when you read of my problem and the choice I finally made, I wonder if *your* decision would have been the same. Before I go any further, let me assure you that I am very happily married, and I know my choice was the right one . . . but would you have acted the same way?

Before my marriage, I was a private secretary to a prominent executive in a large advertising company in New York. I enjoyed my work immensely, not only because the salary enabled me to buy plenty of nice clothes to fill my wardrobe, but also because my position made it possible for me to meet many young, handsome men, holding high jobs in the advertising field, some of them quite wealthy. I had my share of dates, and I considered myself the luckiest girl in New York.

Mom and I have always been good pals and I always told her about my dates, who the boy was and his family background, and where we went dining and dancing or what show we saw. I know how anxious Mom was that I should be settled in my own home with a loving husband, but I didn't seem to click with any of my boy friends, until Jerry came along.

Jerry Hudson was the nephew of my boss, Mr. Randolph. He had graduated from a school where advertising methods were taught, and now he was all set to settle down in his uncle's business and "learn the ropes", as he put it, knowing that some day his uncle would turn over the business to him. Jerry was a "dream man" as far as I was concerned . . . tall, dark and handsome, with a dimple in his chin and a mischievous grin usually spread across his face.

Mr. Randolph introduced us and asked me to familiarize Jerry with the office, which was a break for me, for I saw the other girls looking Jerry over and their eyes expressed their approval. But at least *I* would be working with this handsome lad and that would bring us together most of the day. I had hopes, of course, that Jerry would find me interesting enough to ask for a date. My hopes were realized!

It started with lunch near the office on the first day he came on the scene, and that week end Jerry took me to dinner, a show and then dancing. I felt myself falling for him, and falling hard. As far as I was concerned, "Mr. Right" had come along! And as he held me in his arms as we danced, I wondered if Jerry felt the same about me.

My dates with Jerry became more frequent, and the day came when Jerry and I exchanged our first kiss. Jerry had taken me to his parents' mansion and introduced me to his family. They were very friendly and seemed to approve of the girl their son had been spending so much time with. Anyway, when Jerry left me off at my front door that night, he took me into his arms and kissed me gently and tenderly.

"See you in the office in the morning," he said, and turned to leave. Not a word about loving me, or getting engaged . . . but I thought Jerry was not yet sure of my feelings toward him and still hesitated to express himself. But I was really in no hurry . . . I felt that Jerry and I were meant for each other and that he would propose soon.

I said at the beginning of my story that I fell in love with two men. That's exactly what happened. The second man in my life was Michael Wade, and I met him, of all places, at an outdoor concert in the stadium on a warm summer night. The concert had already started when I got there, and I sat down without having been able to obtain a program. Mike came to my rescue. He was sitting next to me and slipped his program into my hand without saying a word. I looked at him and smiled. I think my heart must have flipped at that moment when I gazed into Mike's dark, laughing eyes. Have you ever read a book and imagined what the hero looked like, especially a love-adventure story? To me the hero was always tall, with dark features, wavy hair and dark eyes, and dimples on his cheeks when he smiled. And here, sitting next to me, was the very image of my make-believe hero, very much alive!

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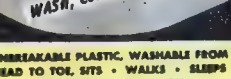

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BUT WHEN I STOOD UP, THE REACTION WAS THE SAME AS ALWAYS...
I'D LOVE A WALK, TED!
SAY, YOU'RE... I MEAN...SURE, LET'S GO!
HE TRIED TO BE CASUAL, BUT I KNEW THAT MY HEIGHT WAS EMBARRASSING TO HIM...
IT'S A GREAT BEACH HERE... ISN'T IT?
YES... IT'S VERY LOVELY...
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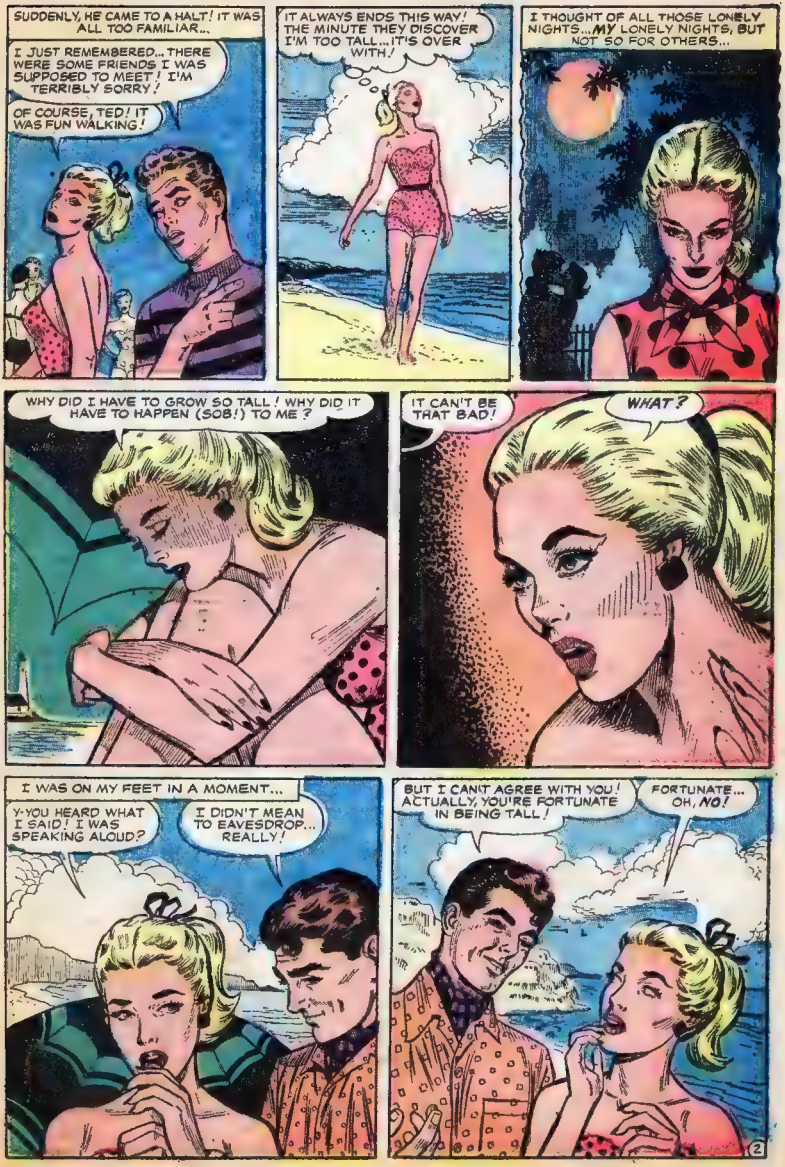
SUDDENLY, HE CAME TO A HALT! IT WAS ALL TOO FAMILIAR...
I JUST REMEMBERED... THERE WERE SOME FRIENDS I WAS SUPPOSED TO MEET! I'M TERRIBLY SORRY!
OF COURSE, TED! IT WAS FUN WALKING!
IT ALWAYS ENDS THIS WAY! THE MINUTE THEY DISCOVER I'M TOO TALL... IT'S OVER WITH!
I THOUGHT OF ALL THOSE LONELY NIGHTS... MY LONELY NIGHTS, BUT NOT SO FOR OTHERS...
WHY DID I HAVE TO GROW SO TALL! WHY DID IT HAVE TO HAPPEN (SOB!) TO ME?
IT CAN'T BE THAT BAD!
WHAT?
I WAS ON MY FEET IN A MOMENT...
Y-YOU HEARD WHAT I SAID! I WAS SPEAKING ALOUD?
I DIDN'T MEAN TO EAVESDROP... REALLY!
BUT I CAN'T AGREE WITH YOU! ACTUALLY, YOU'RE FORTUNATE IN BEING TALL!
FORTUNATE... OH, NO!
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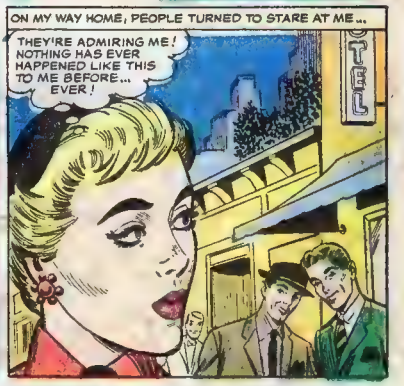
MY NAME IS DON MAXWELL! I OPERATE A FASHION SCHOOL FOR MODELS! HAVE YOU HEARD OF IT?
YES... I HAVE!
I'M GLAD I HAPPENED TO BE OVER THIS WAY AND HEARD YOU! I'VE HELPED OTHER GIRLS... I'D LIKE THE CHANCE TO HELP YOU!
THEN HE SAID GOOD-BYE POLITELY AND WALKED OFF...
HE SEEMS SO SINCERE... AND HE IS TALLER THAN ME, TOO!
FOR DAYS AFTERWARD, I THOUGHT OVER WHAT DON MAXWELL HAD SAID...
HE WAS MERELY BEING KIND... THAT'S ALL IT WAS! IT'S BEST THAT I FORGET ALL ABOUT HIM!
BUT I COULDN'T FORGET, AND THEN ON ONE DISAPPOINTING NIGHT IN PARTICULAR...
NOT A SINGLE DANCE ALL EVENING! WHY PRETEND ANY LONGER? I DO NEED HELP... AND DESPERATELY!
I WASTED NO TIME! EARLY THE FOLLOWING MORNING, I WAS IN DON MAXWELL'S OFFICE...
THEN YOU DO REMEMBER ME?
OF COURSE! BUT I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK YOU FORGOT ALL ABOUT ME!
WITHIN MINUTES, THINGS WERE HAPPENING... AND FAST...
CLAIRE, THIS IS MISS PETERS! WHAT DO YOU SAY?
SHE HAS HEIGHT, AND THAT'S MOST IMPORTANT, SHE SHOULD DO VERY WELL!
3

HARD WEEKS OF TRAINING FOLLOWED, UNDER THE EXPERT TRAINING OF CLAIRE DARWELL...
THAT'S IT, HEAD HIGH! YOU'RE PROUD OF YOUR HEIGHT, AND YOU WANT THE WHOLE WORLD TO KNOW IT!

SLOWLY, I WAS BEING MADE OVER INTO A NEW PERSON...
YOU HAVE LOVELY EYES, AND YOU MUST LEARN TO SET THEM OFF TO THEIR BEST ADVANTAGE!

AND FINALLY CAME DON'S WORDS OF PRAISE...
WHAT DO YOU SAY, DON?
SHE'S LOVELY, CLAIRE... POSITIVELY RADIANT!


ON MY WAY HOME, PEOPLE TURNED TO STARE AT ME...
THEY'RE ADMIRING ME! NOTHING HAS EVER HAPPENED LIKE THIS TO ME BEFORE... EVER!
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WITHIN MONTHS, I HAD REACHED THE STATUS OF "COVER GIRL"! I WAS A HUGE SUCCESS, AND IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE...
IT'S MY DANCE!
NO, IT'S MINE!

I'M SORRY, GENTLEMEN... BUT I DID PROMISE MR. MAXWELL!

YOU'RE A SUCCESS, GAIL... AND I'M VERY PROUD OF YOU!
I HAVE YOU TO THANK, DON! YOU MADE IT ALL POSSIBLE!

OUTSIDE ON THE PATIO, I CONTINUED TO POUR OUT MY THANKS...
YOU'VE GIVEN ME NEW LIFE, NEW HOPE! YOU'VE TAUGHT ME TO BELIEVE IN MYSELF... TO BE PROUD OF WHAT I AM!

I'LL ALWAYS OWE YOU A DEBT OF GRATITUDE... TOO GREAT TO EVER REPAY!
YOU OWE ME NOTHING, GAIL...

OF COURSE I TAKE PROFESSIONAL PRIDE IN YOUR SUCCESS, BUT IT GOES DEEPER THAN THAT! WITH YOU SOMEHOW... IT'S DIFFERENT!
HOW DO YOU MEAN, DON?

HE BEGAN TO SPEAK, AND THEN WE WERE DRAWN TO EACH OTHER... OUR LIPS MEETING IN A GENTLE, TENDER KISS...

I LOVE YOU, DARLING... DO YOU KNOW THAT?
YES, DON, JUST AS I KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU!

BY THE END OF THE YEAR, I HAD GIVEN UP MODELING TO BECOME DON'S WIFE! HEIGHT DID NOT STAND IN THE WAY OF MY HAPPINESS! IN EFFECT, IT BROUGHT ME LOVE... AND IT CAN DO THE SAME FOR YOU!
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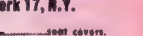

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handsome Adonis who was seated next to me, out of my mind. During the intermission, I had an opportunity to see what he was really like. Mike started a friendly conversation about the music we had been listening to, about the composers . . . and before I realized it, we were talking to each other like old friends. I told him about my job with the advertising agency, and Mike revealed that he was a writer. Not a very successful one yet, he said, but he had sold some short stories to some of the more popular magazines published in New York.

Mike treated me to a soda after the concert and walked me home. We lived near the stadium. We shook hands and Mike said he hoped we'd meet again at one of the other concerts soon. And that was how I met the second man in my life. During the days which followed, I found my thoughts turning to Mike, sometimes even when I was out dancing with Jerry. I couldn't help comparing these two fine young men. Jerry was rich and would become head of a big advertising agency some day. Mike was comparatively poor, living off the occasional checks which came in when he sold a story. Mike had no money to spend on a girl, as far as dining, dancing and the theater were concerned. He could afford the price of a concert ticket all right, and as the weeks went by, I accepted his invitations to attend concerts with him.

It was like living in two different worlds. When I was out with Jerry, I was in a world far more glamorous and sophisticated than the one in which my modest family lived. When I was with Mike, I felt more in my own element. I could understand the dreams and ambitions of a young man who was just starting to make his way in the world. My father had gone through the same thing while I was young, but still old enough to remember the struggle. But Jerry was born to enjoy all the

advantages of wealth, without having to really work hard to obtain these benefits. Of course this was no reflection on Jerry. He was just a fortunate young man and deserved the advantages he was heir to through his uncle and his own wealthy family.

Then came the crossroads in my life! Yes, Jerry finally proposed . . . I told him I would give him an answer when I was sure of it myself. Why had I hesitated? Wasn't Jerry the man I wanted? He was, until Mike came along. Anyway, on my next date with Mike, *he* asked me to marry him! Yes, I was at the crossroads, and I had to make my decision soon, in fairness to both young men.

Whom would *you* have chosen? The man of wealth who had everything to offer right away, or the young man of talent with promise of a bright, successful future, if he had the right girl by his side to encourage him and work with him. I said already that I had hesitated when Jerry proposed. That made me realize that my love for Mike was a deeper thing than I had suspected.

And then I had the answer. What I felt for Jerry was really only infatuation . . . it had nothing of the deep-down love and tender feelings that I had for Mike. With Mike, it was *really* love, in all its glory and wonder of understanding that we had for each other. Yes, I married Mike, and we've been living "happily ever after", as the story books say. Mike is a very successful writer now, and he's even encouraged me to try my hand at it. That's how I wrote this story. I hope you liked it . . . and agree with my happy choice between the two men in my life.

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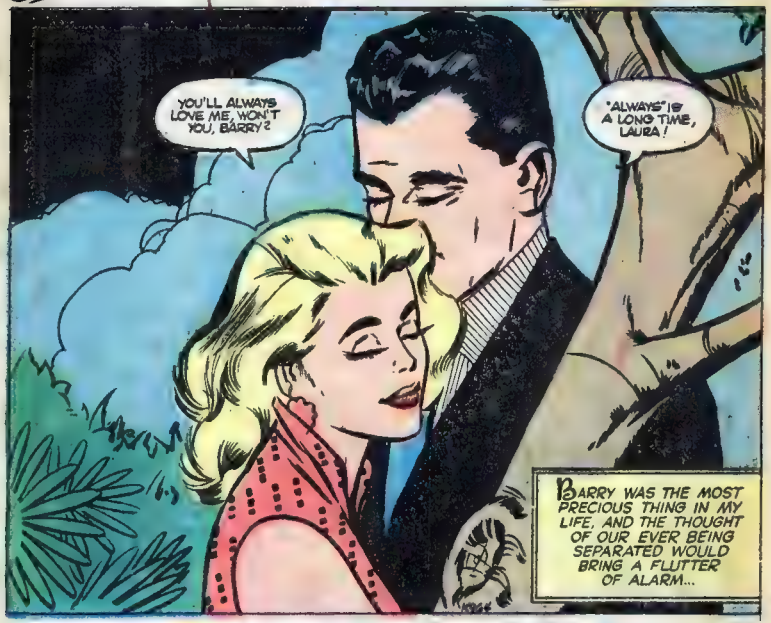
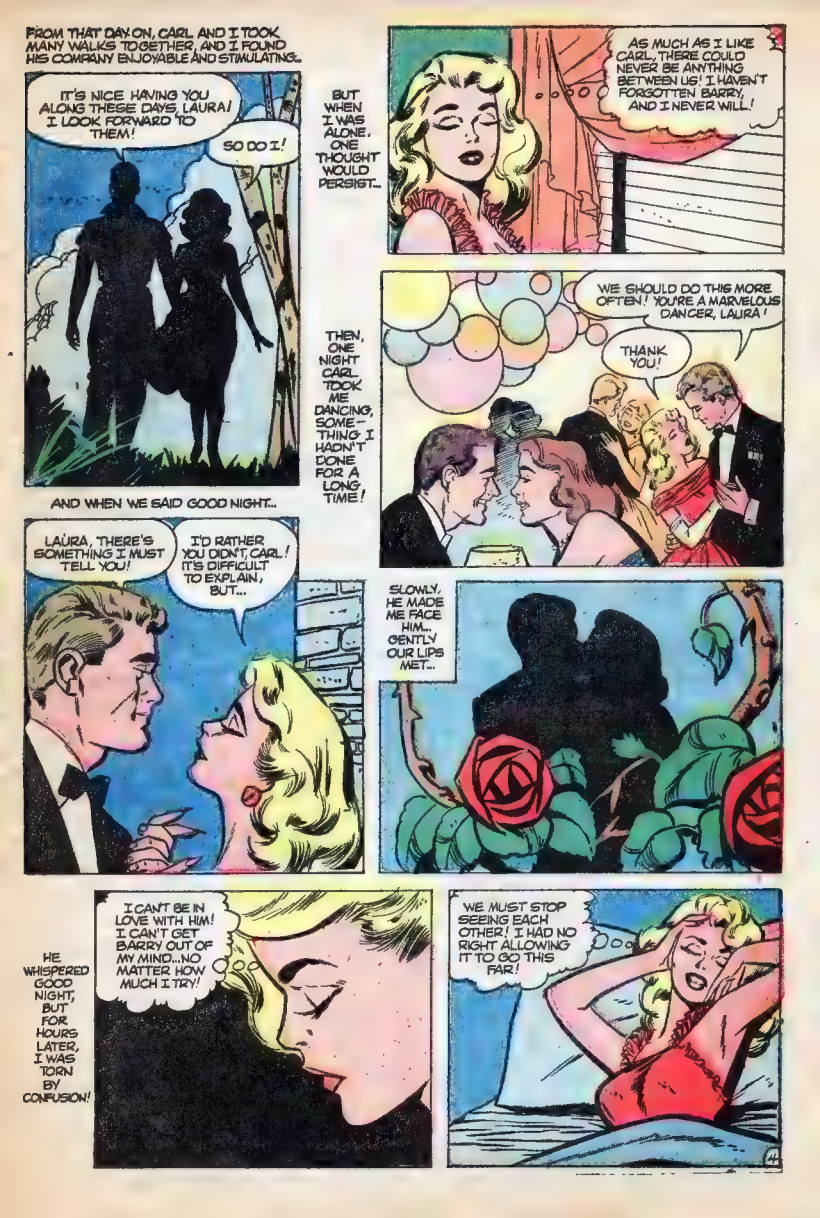

YOU'LL ALWAYS LOVE ME, WON'T YOU, BARRY?
"ALWAYS" IS A LONG TIME, LAURA!
BARRY WAS THE MOST PRECIOUS THING IN MY LIFE, AND THE THOUGHT OF OUR EVER BEING SEPARATED WOULD BRING A FLUTTER OF ALARM...

HE GRINNED AT MY APPARENT CONCERN AND TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS! ONLY WHEN HIS LIPS TOUCHED MINE DID THE PANIC LEAVE...

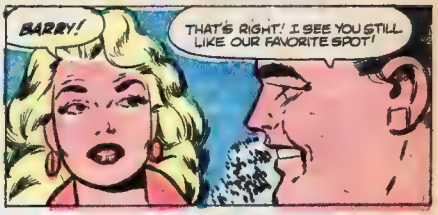
BUT ONE EVENING ABOUT TWO WEEKS AFTERWARDS, BARRY WAS LATER THAN USUAL...
IF SOMETHING IS HOLDING HIM UP, WHY DOESN'T HE CALL?
THE FRONT DOOR... THAT MUST BE BARRY NOW!
RING
IT WAS BARRY, BUT BY THE LOOK ON HIS FACE, I COULD SEE THAT SOMETHING WAS WRONG...
HE BEGAN TO SPEAK, THE WORDS BRINGING SHOCKING DISBELIEF...
WHAT IS IT, DARLING? I CAN SEE YOU'RE UPSET!
I AM, LAURA, AND I HARDLY KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN!
...AND THOUGH WE MET ONLY A WEEK AGO, I KNOW IT'S THE REAL THING! I'M IN LOVE WITH HER, LAURA... VERY MUCH!
I CAN'T GIVE YOU UP, BARRY! I WON'T!
PLEASE, LAURA! YOU'RE ONLY MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT!
I CRIED, BUT TEARS DIDN'T HELP! THE EVENT I DREADED HAD COME TO PASS...
I...(SOB!)... WILL NEVER FORGET HIM... NOT AS LONG AS I LIVE!
NO ONE COULD EVER TAKE BARRY'S PLACE...AND I WON'T ALLOW IT! HE IS THE ONLY MAN I WILL EVER LOVE!

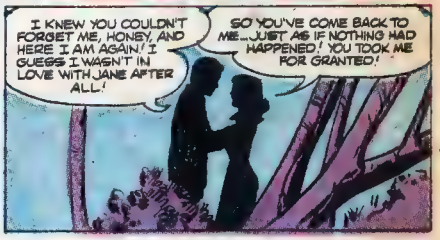
MONTHS PASSED, AND SLOWLY I BUILT A WALL AROUND MYSELF...
IT'S GOING TO BE A BIG PARTY, LAURA!
I'M SORRY, ALICE, BUT I WON'T BE IN TOWN THIS WEEK-END!
MORE AND MORE I WOULD FIND MYSELF TAKING WALKS ALONG THE PATHS BARRY AND I HAD STROLLED TOGETHER...
I'M A FOOL, AND YET I CAN'T HELP MYSELF! I KNOW THAT BARRY JILTED ME FOR A GIRL WITH LOTS OF MONEY... AND STILL I'D TAKE HIM BACK!
BUT IN THE MIDST OF MY THOUGHTS...
WAIT... PLEASE!
LOOK, A BROWN THRASHER... FIRST ONE OF THE SEASON!
I WAS ANGRY, BUT WHEN HE SUDDENLY FLASHED A FRIENDLY SMILE, I FOUND MYSELF RETURNING IT...
I'M SORRY IF I STARTLED YOU, BUT I DIDN'T WANT TO FRIGHTEN HIM OFF!
BUT I DID... AND YOU MUST BE A BIRD WATCHER!
IT'S A HOBBY OF MINE! ACTUALLY, IT'S LOTS OF FUN!
I'M SURE IT MUST BE, BUT JUST WHAT DO YOU DO?
IT'S WALKING MOSTLY, AND OBSERVING, BUT HOW ABOUT JOINING ME AND FINDING OUT FOR YOURSELF?
ALL RIGHT... I WILL!


FROM THAT DAY ON, CARL AND I TOOK MANY WALKS TOGETHER, AND I FOUND HIS COMPANY ENJOYABLE AND STIMULATING..
IT'S NICE HAVING YOU ALONG THESE DAYS, LAURA! I LOOK FORWARD TO THEM!
SO DO I!
AND WHEN WE SAID GOOD NIGHT..
BUT WHEN I WAS ALONE, ONE THOUGHT WOULD PERSIST..
AS MUCH AS I LIKE CARL, THERE COULD NEVER BE ANYTHING BETWEEN US! I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN BARRY, AND I NEVER WILL!
THEN, ONE NIGHT CARL TOOK ME DANCING, SOMETHING I HADN'T DONE FOR A LONG TIME!
WE SHOULD DO THIS MORE OFTEN! YOU'RE A MARVELOUS DANCER, LAURA!
THANK YOU!
LAURA, THERE'S SOMETHING I MUST TELL YOU!
I'D RATHER YOU DIDN'T, CARL! IT'S DIFFICULT TO EXPLAIN, BUT...
SLOWLY, HE MADE ME FACE HIM... GENTLY OUR LIPS MET..
HE WHISPERED GOOD NIGHT, BUT FOR HOURS LATER, I WAS TORN BY CONFUSION!
I CAN'T BE IN LOVE WITH HIM! I CAN'T GET BARRY OUT OF MY MIND...NO MATTER HOW MUCH I TRY!
WE MUST STOP SEEING EACH OTHER! I HAD NO RIGHT ALLOWING IT TO GO THIS FAR!

CARL EXACTED MY PROMISE TO MEET HIM THE FOLLOWING NIGHT ALONG OUR FAVORITE WALK...

BUT A SHOCKING MOMENT LATER...

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SO YOU'VE COME BACK TO ME...JUST AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED! YOU TOOK ME FOR GRANTED!

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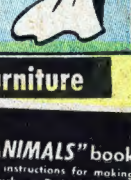

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